

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1421
ANSWERED ON:25.07.2017
Procuring of Farm Produce
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that buying farm produce directly from the farmers by the Government helps farmers a lot and thereby avoid middlemen and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether NITI Aayog recently had recommended that the Government should buy farm produce directly from farmers;
- (c) if so, the details of the recommendations made by NITI Aayog and whether any legislation to this effect is likely to be introduced by the Government in Parliament;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) whether consultations have been held with the States in this regard and, if so, the outcome thereof ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

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- (a): Yes Madam, the Government procures farm produce directly from the farmers thereby helping the farmers by avoiding the middleman. The details of procurement made at Minimum Support Price (MSP)/remunerative price through various scheme are enclosed at Annexure-I to Annexure-IV.
- (b): No, Madam. There is already a mechanism under which Government procures produce directly from the farmers.
- (c) & (d): Do not arise.
- (e): Under the present mechanism, Government procures produce directly from the farmers in consultation with the concerned State Government.